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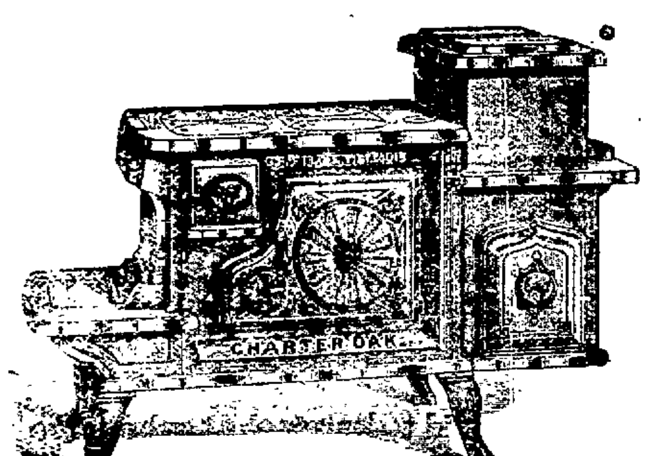

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A Number of Bills Introduced in the House—Hazen's Charges Against Garlington.

Leading Features of the Nicaraguan Treaty—Other Notes from the Capital.

THE SENATORS ON FINANCE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Mr. Sherman, from the Committee on Library, reported favorably the bill providing for the erection of a statue to General Lafayette.

Mr. Logan presented a large number of petitions from tobacco and cigar manufacturers and labor organizations of Illinois, New York and other States, protesting against the ratification of the Spanish treaty; also petitions signed by 7,600 ex-soldiers of the Union army, praying Congress to purchase for the Capitol at Washington a portrait of General George H. Thomas, and recommending that it be executed by Miss Ransom. Referred.

The Chair laid before the Senate Mr. Van Wyck's resolution, heretofore offered, relating to the Spanish treaty, and requiring the Committee on Rules to report a rule providing for the consideration of commercial treaties in open session. Mr. Miller, of California, said this matter was under consideration by the Committee on Foreign Relations, and moved a reference of the resolution to that committee. Mr. Hoar raised the point of order that the matter should be considered with closed doors. The Senate then went into secret session.

When the doors reopened the bill for the admission of Dakota was taken up. Senator Garland offered a substitute, one provision being the submission of the question to a popular vote, the object being, as the Senator explained, to obtain the present views of the people of Dakota and to settle the question arising from the fact that Dakota has a public debt. Senator Harrison objected to bringing in the question of debt, but was otherwise in favor of the substitute. Senator Vest objected to the admission on the ground that the Territory is now at war within itself. He added that the Democrats were charged with being sole proprietors of the opposition in view of recent events they were able to assume the responsibility. The bill was then informally laid aside.

Senator Hill spoke on his resolution, recently offered, providing that there was no reason for the suspension of coinage of silver dollars or of the issue of silver certificates. He said the recommendations of the President and of the Secretary of the Treasury were inopportune to an alarming degree. The falling of prices proved that money was deficient. While it was true that $40,000,000 in silver out of the $187,000,000 coined was owned by the Treasury it was also true that $138,000,000 in gold was also in the Treasury. The department had given no reason why the ownership of silver was more pernicious than that of gold. The consumption of gold in the arts and sciences was diverting it from monetary use. The production of gold was decreasing, but its use for purposes other than money was three times greater than it was twenty years ago. The expansion of the coinage since the resumption of specie payments had not been sufficient to exceed a proper distributive share. It was not sufficient to drive other moneys out of trade or to affect prices. The coinage of $28,000,000 annually would never have a disastrous effect on trade or other moneys. The present was an inopportune time to cease coinage because the bank-note currency was being contracted. The situation as to paper money was admitted to be grave. The future must depend upon itself to meet contingencies that may arise from the coinage of silver.

Senator Sherman said that in the opinion of the most intelligent nations of the world bimetalism was the natural logic of things. For two thousand years the market values of the two metals had been changing. The United States had failed in a fair effort to hold up silver. Since 1878 there had been coined $187,000,000, of which more than three-fourths was now locked up in the Treasury. The silver coined was constantly going down in value. It was now worth less than $1.11 an ounce, whereas when the coinage under the act of 1878 began it was worth $1.18. The only question of practical politics was whether the country should project with impossibilities.

Senator Morgan inquired whether Senator Sherman, when Secretary of the Treasury, had not purchased $90,000,000 of gold coin with silver certificates. The following discussion ensued in reply:

Senator Sherman—Yes; but it was because silver, like paper, had been maintained at par with gold by being received at par by the United States.

Senator Morgan—They were redeemable in silver?

Senator Sherman—Yes; by law and on their face, but in fact and by law they were receivable in gold. The silver we have coined, and of which we have such an enormous stock, could not be exported to any country in the world. Why? Because our coined silver is not worth the intrinsic value in gold. Our silver bullion went abroad because it went at its market value and not at any nominal value that we might put on it. If any adverse change occur in our balance in trade this silver, piled up in our Treasury, would be worth merely its bullion value. The Government of the United States bought bullion from the Senator from Colorado (Mr Hill) at its market value. It was treated as a merchantable commodity, but the people had a right to take it from the Government or not, as they pleased, and they pleased not to take it, because it was not worth 480 grains, and was worth only 412. Suppose such alarm were sounded as should lead to the export of our gold and disarrange all our standards of value, what would happen? Did not the Senators know it would create the most fearful contraction ever witnessed in this country? The laboring men, when supposing themselves to be earning one dollar, would be earning only eighty-five cents, and wages would not advance to make up the deficiency. Such contingency would not arise if Congress acted wisely.

Senator Williams—Is there not more gold in the country to-day than when the silver bill passed?

Senator Sherman—Yes. It is because until the last three years we have had the largest balance of trade in our favor that has ever been known. When the balance of trade is in our favor it does not make so much difference what we have for money. When it is against us gold will go; nothing but gold can pay for an adverse balance of trade.

Senator Williams—Would it not be well to wait until the balance is turning against us?

Senator Sherman—It would then be too late As to remedy, first stop the coinage of the silver dollar, and wait for new rates of value to be established by the nations of the world between gold and silver If I had the power I would proclaim in a law five lines long that every dollar hereafter issued from our treasury should contain 470 or 480 grains of silver Then our silver dollar, agreeing with the market value of silver, would become a dollar of mankind

Senator Williams—But moneyed men could continue to depreciate and discredit silver.

Senator Sherman—They could not do it Moneyed men and bankers have no power over this question. Market values are mysterious things, made up of combinations which men can not analyze. The best way to fix the value of a standard dollar is to commit the work to a committee of experts.

Senator Allison maintained that the use of silver determined its value. He entirely differed from Mr. Sherman as to the intrinsic value of coinage, holding that the use of the mints should be free and that 400 instead of 470 or 480 grains should constitute a dollar.

Senator Beck said the depreciation of silver was due to the hostility of the Government. No Secretary had ever been more hostile than was Senator Sherman.

Senator Sherman replied that he had never said a word against silver certificates or silver dollars except that they should be made good.

Senator Beck replied that he would to-day read some extracts to refreshen Senator Sherman's resolution.

The matter was then dropped.

Senators Logan, Dolph, Cameron (Pa.), Cameron (Wis.), Harrison, Miller, Riddleberger, Pendleton, Butler, Vest, Jones (Fla.), Slater and Welles were appointed to represent the Senate at the White House on the opening of the New Orleans Exposition.

After acting on some minor matters, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Postmaster-General asking an appropriation of $100,000 for postal-car service and $75,000 for the pay of postal clerks. Referred.

Bills were introduced:

By Mr. Oates, to declare forfeited to the United States all unearned land grants and to provide for the adjudication of controversies in relation thereto.

By Mr. Rogers, to regulate the Hot Springs Reservation, Ark.; also, to complete the improvement of Hot Springs Creek.

By Mr. Holman, a resolution calling on the Secretary of State for information as to the mode and manner in full detail of the expenditure of $35,000 appropriated by Congress for the expenses of the French and American Claims Commission; also, a resolution requesting the President to furnish the House with a copy of all correspondence with the Government of France in regard to the French and American Claims Commission since the 23d of November, 1881; also, a resolution amending the rules of the House so as to provide that all speeches printed under "leave to print" be subject to the rules governing debate.

By Mr. Buckner, by request, to provide for the refunding of the public debt and to secure the stability of the National-bank circulation.

By Mr. Cox, of New York, a preamble and resolution reciting that it has been reported that F. S. Strong, late cadet of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, died in consequence of cruelties practiced on him by senior cadets, and requesting the Secretary of the Navy to communicate to the House any information obtained in relation to the cause of the death of the cadet.

Mr. Wilkins moved to suspend the rules to make the McPherson and the Dingley bills special orders for Thursday, January 16. Mr. Yaple, speaking against the motion, said the McPherson bill was a proposition to hire National banks to increase their circulation. It was an insult to the people, and its adoption by Congress would be a disgrace to the Nation. Mr. Henderson, (Ia.) urged the bill as an expediency, and Messrs. Potter and Buckner spoke against it. A ballot was taken to suspend and fix the date for the special order, and it was carried by exactly the necessary two-thirds—yeas, 171; nays, 87.

Mr. Lacey, from the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill prohibiting the issue of treasury notes. The motion was discussed by Messrs. Browne, Cobb and Cassidy, all opposing it, and when the roll was called only forty-one votes were cast in its favor to two hundred and sixteen in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins, the Attorney-General was requested to rule on the application of the eight-hour law to letter-carriers.

The Speaker appointed the following committee, one from each State, to witness the opening of the New Orleans Exposition by electricity at the Executive Mansion to-day:

Messrs. Oates, Alabama; Rogers, Arkansas, Budley, California; Belford, Colorado; Seymour, Connecticut; Lore Delaware; Davidson, Florida; Hardeman, Georgia; Hitt, Illinois; Matson, Indiana; Henderson, Iowa; Perkins, Kansas; Halsell, Kentucky; Ellis, Louisiana; Dingley, Maine; Covington, Maryland; Lyman, Massachusetts; Wolans, Michigan; Strait, Minnesota; Van Eaton, Mississippi; O'Neil, Missouri; Green, North Carolina; Laird, Nebraska; Cassidy, Nevada; Ray, New Hampshire; Kean, New Jersey; Adams, New York; Paige, Ohio; George, Oregon; Bingham, Pennsylvania; Chase, Rhode Island; Hill, South Carolina; Caldwell, Tennessee; Throckmorton, Texas; Poland, Vermont; O'Farrell, Virginia; Gibson, West Virginia; Rankin, Wisconsin; Ours, Arizona; Raymond, Dakota; Mignault, Montana; Manzanares, New Mexico; Caine, Utah; Brents, Washington; Post, Wyoming Territory, and Singiser, Idaho.

Mr. Payers, from the Committee on Commerce, made an ineffectual effort to suspend the rules and pass a bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue-marine service.

Mr. Aiken, from the Committee on Agriculture moved to suspend the rules and pass a bill to establish the Department of Agriculture. Messrs. Blount, Potter and Browne spoke in opposition to the motion. It was advocated by Messrs. Wilson (Iowa), Aiken, Budd, Hardeman and Cox. The motion was adopted—yeas, 166; nays, 69.

The House then adjourned.

THE NICARAGUAN TREATY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The treaty concluded between the United States and the Republic of Nicaragua at Washington the 28th of November, 1884, and now before the Senate for ratification, is by far the most important and far-reaching undertaking of its kind that our Government has ever engaged in. The United States is not only to expend vast sums of money in the construction of an interoceanic ship canal, but acquires lands and territorial rights from Nicaragua in perpetuity, secures a strip of land more than six miles wide across the State of Nicaragua, which for a considerable distance extends on one side to the boundary line of Costa Rica, has therein territorial and political jurisdiction as well as absolute control and management of the canal when built, and all this in contravention of all the agreements, stipulations and compacts of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, made and ratified between the United States and Great Britain in 1850. The only benefit which Nicaragua obtains for these valuable concessions to the United States is the development of her natural resources and her share of the canal tolls. These advantages will undoubtedly be considerable. There is also to be reciprocity in trade between the two countries and in all respects the commerce of the two nations is to be on an equal footing.

HAZEN'S CHARGES AGAINST LIEUTENANT GARLINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—General Hazen, Chief Signal Officer, has preferred charges against Lieutenant Garlington for disobedience of orders and neglect of duty in connection with his command of the Proteus expedition for Greely's relief. The charges were sent to the Secretary of War over a week ago with a letter asking that a court-martial be ordered for their trial, but no action has yet been taken by Mr. Lincoln, nor has he yet decided whether he will order the court or not.

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ON THE EVE OF OPENING.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 16.—Day and night hammers are ringing in the various buildings at Exposition Park. Carpenters, painters and decorators are at work—an army of artisans at least 2,000 strong. Yesterday a body of police 300 strong marched up to the grounds and was placed on duty to protect property and maintain order. The police are neatly uniformed, and are a fine-looking and intelligent body of men. The press representatives have organized a society, chosing Colonel J. Thomas Scharf, of the Baltimore *Sun*, as President: W. H. H. Judson, of the Exposition *Bulletin*, Vice-President: J. H. Pierce, of the Chicago *Journal of Commerce*, Secretary, and L. P. Myers, of the Galveston *News*, Treasurer. The Continental Guards have offered themselves, although not in the State Militia, for duty as escort to the Governor to-day. The French man-of-war Bouvet is the only war vessel in the port, and will do her part in the opening ceremonies. The city is very generously decorated in honor of the great occasion—in fact, so many flags and so much bunting were never displayed here on any former occasion. Most of the business houses will be closed to-day to allow a holiday to their employes. There is a great lack of transportation between the city and the grounds. While all the street-cars in the city will be pressed into service they will not furnish one-tenth of the accommodations required; but several steamboats will make hourly trips between the head of Canal street and Exposition Park, and the immense crowds may thus be reasonably accommodated. There is, however, a threat of a strike on the part of the car-drivers on the Van Benthuysen lines, the men alleging that the President of the company has not kept the pledges made by him at the time the drivers returned to work after the strike of a month ago. The drivers were in session at midnight discussing the situation. Some comment was caused yesterday by the fact that the published programme of the parade and order of exercises, while providing for everybody else, even Indians not taxed, assigns no place for the civilian representatives of the Federal Government. There is considerable feeling over the matter, and it is expected the Federal officers will be conspicuously absent from the scene.

In the main building the general exhibits have shown much improvement in the past two days. They are working there day and night, as the electric light affords abundant illumination for work at all hours. The progress made in this time has been extraordinary, and the exhibits unpacked during the past twenty-four hours have more than doubled the articles in the building. All the foreign countries are behind hand. Most of the articles from Europe have been shipped, but have not yet arrived here, or are still at the custom-house. The Mexican exhibit has been in the city for several days, but is held back by the freight blockade, and while all the cases for the display are ready the goods have not yet been unpacked. The Central American States are more advanced than any foreign powers. The finest general exhibits are those in drugs and medicines, hardware, agricultural implements, carpets, food products, silks and ladies' wear. The rival thread companies have handsome displays; each of them has a mill in full operation. The exhibition of machinery is very large, and there is hardly a foot in this part of the building which is not already occupied. The Horticultural Hall presents a very fine appearance, and, although the shipments of Western fruits have not yet arrived, it fully compensates for them in its tropical plants, flowers and fruits. The Art Gallery is completed, but it will not be able to show many paintings hung for several days at least.

It becomes evident that the display made in the Government building, that is the exhibits of the Federal Government, and the States and Territories, is going to be the grand feature of the exposition. This is in a far more advanced condition than the main building, and about seven-eighths of it is already filled. Several States are as yet unrepresented, among them may be mentioned New York and Pennsylvania. The United States exhibit is very backward. The geological Survey, Post-office, Navy and Patent Office displays are in the most advanced state, but even these are four to six days behind-hand. In the northern part of the building the great Northwest and the Territories carry off the honors. Of the State exhibits Dakota, Wyoming and Nebraska have magnificent mineral, agricultural and forest displays. So have Colorado and Oregon, while California, whose exhibits are yet far from arranged, occupies more space than any State in the building. Ohio has her display nearly completed, and Illinois and Indiana are but little behind her. The other Western States, excepting Kansas, are very backward.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The *Times* yesterday devoted its leader to the New Orleans Exposition. It says: "The exhibition symbolizes that the complete reconciliation between the North and the South is a fact. It is an event in the history of the South deserving of the heartiest congratulations and bright with hopeful auguries." The article concludes with wishing the exhibition every success.

A Jealous Girl's Revenge.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 16.—Phillis Ivory, a young girl residing at North East, Md., shot and instantly killed Emaline Davis yesterday afternoon at the residence of the murderess. Miss Ivory some time ago fell in love with a young farmer, who recently met Miss Davis, and becoming infatuated with the latter girl he cast off Miss Ivory. The latter determined to get rid of her rival, and did so by shooting her with a heavy revolver, which she placed against her victim's head, sending a bullet through the brain.

Train Wrecked by a Land Slide.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 16.—A freight train on the Pittsburgh & Western Railroad ran into a land slide near Geyer's Station, thirteen miles from this city, yesterday, wrecking the engine and seven cars. Engineer Daniel Costelli was killed instantly, and fireman John Taterall was fatally injured.

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DR. TALMAGE opened the Exposition at New Orleans yesterday, with prayer.

IT now appears probable that Senator Bayard will have one of the important positions in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet.

IT will do a great many of our bloody shirt republicans good to spend a few days at New Orleans his winter.

THE impression prevails that there will be a picnic at Springfield during January at least. There will doubtless be some fun.

THE exposition at New Orleans will not be fully organized for sever-days. In a month from this will be a much better time to visit than now.

MRS. INGERSOLL says that Bob and she used to be good people in the eyes of Mr. Blaine, but when he became president under Mr. Garfield they were very bad people.

PHILADELPHIA is the city of "brotherly love," but there must be something the matter with the love between husbands and wives. There are over 700 divorce suits on the court dockets.

AFTER the 4th of March, the republican office holders will be on a level with the other 54,880,000 American citizens who do not hold a government office. If they do not lose their offices, certainly they are liable to lose them.

IT is said that the democratic members of congress wear better clothes this session than ever before. Heretofore the republicans were the better dressed, but the tables have turned. Probably the democrats bet on the election.

THE Nicaragua treaty, if ratified by the Senate, will give an opportunity for the expenditure of the treasury surplus. It looks a little as if there was a mouse in this meal bag about as large as that in the St. Domingo sack which Grant and his friends tried to hold a few years ago.

THE protectionists make a special plea in favor of protection to American labor. They cite the case of England which is comparatively free trade, with this country. But how about Germany? It is a high tariff country, yet wages are lower than in England. German laborers are now said to be crowding the labor marts of England, willing to work for less wages than English laborers used to get.

THE legislature will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 7th. The organization will probably be secured at once. The indications are that Hon. Ed. Cronkrite, of Freeport, will be elected speaker. Hon. R. A. D. Willbanks, of Mt. Vernon; Rob. Ross, of Vandalia, and W. A. Connelly, of Springfield, are candidates for clerk. Our friend Stokes, of the Lincoln Times, wishes to be enrolling and engrossing clerk, He will make a good one.

SOME of the railroads assume a defiant attitude concerning the demand for lower rates of freight, or rather equalized rates. But they will be reached by and by. Springfield has taken hold of the matter, and other cities in the state will naturally follow. The following petition, signed by about fifty merchants of the capital city has been filed with the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS:—The undersigned merchants, dealers and shippers over the various railroads passing through or terminating in the city of Springfield, and who have been heretofore, and now are engaged in doing business in said city and state, would respectfully represent and show to your honorable board the following facts, which are based to some extent on our personal knowledge, and when not so founded, on the information of credible persons worthy of our belief:

1. That the same class of freight is carried on the same train, in the same direction, by the Chicago and Alton railroad, to the city of East St. Louis at a less proportionate rate than the same is carried to this city from the city of Chicago, and over lines entirely in this state.

2. That the same fact is true with reference to the Wabash railroad, and as we believe in regard to the Illinois Central railroad.

3. That the Chicago and Alton railroad carries the same class of freight in the same direction, at a lower rate, proportionately, from Chicago to Bloomington, than is charged to the city of Springfield.

4. That the Wabash railroad carries freight from the Indiana state line to Quincy, Ill., and to Jacksonville at a lower proportionate rate than is charged to Springfield, the same direction, on the same road, and all within this state.

These and other facts which will we are satisfied, become apparent to your body on the slightest investigation, will prove to you that the Chicago and Alton railroad, the Wabash railway, and the Illinois Central, and perhaps other railroads leading into this city, are engaged in unjust discrimination against this city in the matter of freights, in violation of the terms of the act to prevent extortion and unjust discrimination, etc., approved April 7, 1871, in force July 1, 1871; wherefore your petitioners ask that your honorable board shall take immediate steps for ascertaining the more specific acts in which such violations of law actually occurred, and pursue such course toward said railroad companies as will prevent the further continuance of such unjust discrimination, and will ever pray, etc.

Neighborhood Notes.

Rev. S. C. Adams, a methodist minister, of Clinton, died Saturday evening and was buried Sunday afternoon.

Gains Chadwick, the young convict who was nearly murdered by his cell-mate, has been pardoned by Gov. Hamilton. It appears that he belongs to an influential family in Brooklyn, and was led into participating in a burglary at Chicago. Architect Mullet, several New York merchants, Judge Anthony, and Warden McCloughry signed the petition for pardon.

The jury in the Teal and Marvin murder case at Clinton, found the former guilty and fixed his sentence at one year in the penitentiary and acquitted the latter.

Rev. W. R. Morton has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Free Congregational church of Bloomington.

A new postoffice has been established in DeWitt county on the Illinois Midland railroad, between Kenney and Maroa. It is called Rowell, in honor of Congressman Rowell. Mr. John Blue has been appointed postmaster.

Reductions All Around.

Owing to an overstock in all classes of winter goods we offer special inducements to buyers during the remainder of the season. Our stock is very full, comprising new and fresh goods only, and is in some departments almost unbroken. We show an assortment of dress goods, black and colored cashmeres, dress flannels, ladies' misses' and children's cloaks and winter wraps of every description, blankets, shawls, ladies' men's and children's underwear and hosiery, corsets, etc., etc., that is not surpassed in the city and equalled by but a few competitors. We have marked down from the plain selling figures, the reductions in plain figures. Our friends and patrons can buy from us with the assurance of being well treated, getting full value and more for their money than anywhere in the city. The quality of our goods and the prices named will tell the rest. We misrepresent nothing and can substantiate all we claim. Ours are bona fide reductions.

BIG 18 CHEAP STORE.
d13d&weow

A Good Thing for Decatur.

The Decatur Coal Co. will hereafter sell coal direct to the people at $2.25 per ton delivered. Orders can be telephoned to the shaft, or they may be left at W. C. Armstrong's drug store if more convenient. Coal dealers selling coal shipped to Decatur cannot furnish Decatur coal. The Coal Co. has found it necessary to do this in order to protect the people against inferior coals shipped here and sold as Decatur coal. Order direct from the shaft or at W. C. Armstrong's drug store. dec16d1w

John Ullrich's Special Combination Java coffee, pronounced by experts to be superior to anything in this line ever offered to the trade, is for sale at a price within the reach of all, by the following well-known grocers:

Henry Lyon.
May Bros.
Hanks & Patterson.
P. Ruebsamen & Co.
J. F. Buck & Co.
H. B. Lewis.
A. F. Horst & Co.
P. B. Few.
W. J. Myers.
Stephens Bros.
John Finn.
J. T. Montgomery.
C. A. & W. K. Hedges.
A. Stetcher.

d14d1w

Reduction in Price of Flour.

Owing to the hard, close times that are upon us, we the undersigned millers of Decatur, have decided to sell our well-known brands of flour, at our mills and through the grocery stores, at the following low prices:

SHELLABARGER'S MILLS,

White Loaf, (full patent) ¼ bbl, sack,	$1.40
Daily Bread, "	1.20
Matchless, "	1.15
Clipper, "	.75

ILLINOIS CENTRAL MILLS.

White Foam, (full patent) ¼ bbl, sack	$1.40
Eclipse, "	1.20
Domestic, "	1.15
Silver Dust, "	.75

D. S. SHELLABARGER & Co.
JOHN HATFIELD & Co.
Decatur, Dec. 11, 1884—dtf

The Ladies

Will appreciate the low prices in fine kid shoes at J. W. Baker's if they will go and examine them. All his shoes whether damaged or not will be closed out at a sacrifice. If you want anything in the shoe line you can save money by trading with him. n29d&wtf

Buy Your

Mixed Candies, at 15 cts a pound, and pure home-made candies for Christmas Eve., at Peter Haley's stand, on Old Cheap Charley's corner, on Old Square. Santa Claus buys all his Christmas candy here, because it is sweet and hard to beat. 16d1w*

Young Men

Can buy dancing shoes in patent leather and kid very cheap at J. W. Baker's, also a line of embroidered slippers for holiday presents. Go and see them. n26d&wtf

Argenta.

Mr. Jasper Shelton, who [illegible] with lung fever at the residence [illegible] lens, for the past three weeks [illegible] around. "Jas," has [illegible] friends will be glad to hear [illegible] D. H. Garver's new residence [illegible] of town is nearing completion [illegible] structure when finished...... F. McMullen contemplated [illegible] days with Mrs. Mc.'s par[illegible] owing to sickness they ha[illegible] until January..... Argenta [illegible] It would pay some good [illegible] open a shop here........ The [illegible] the past week has been [illegible] weather and poor markets... D. M. Adams and T. D. H[illegible] cars of fine cattle to Chicago [illegible] accompanied their stock [illegible] days in the "city by the lake" [illegible] terson, the station agent, [illegible] with the "old folks at home" [illegible] trains carrying passengers [illegible] lows: Accommodation passenger east, 4:50 p. m.; passenger [illegible] commodation west, 4:15 [illegible] the following, framed [illegible] office at the depot: [illegible] to 15 cents by buying [illegible] ing the train. Get your [illegible] before train time." If [illegible] advise everybody to [illegible] saved is a penny made [illegible] pleasure in waiting on [illegible] those requiring informat[illegible] are all preparing for Christ[illegible]

Niantic.

Mrs. Davidson, wife [illegible] on Tuesday last, of co[illegible] were interred in Long Po[illegible] O. F. Bernard, of Chi[illegible] few days...... To mor[illegible] coal shaft........ The [illegible] are making preparation[illegible] and Christmas tree [illegible] S. Faris is slowly impro[illegible] nose. The Doctor's [illegible] been sadly missed [illegible] will soon be about [illegible] Miller, will soon be [illegible] ness. The public [illegible] by having a [illegible] they will find Mr. Mill[illegible] spect........ Mr. Harve[illegible] give the St. John [illegible] boy, of usual size [illegible] merchants have conclu[illegible] of a night-watchman [illegible] burglaries have been [illegible] ing villages that they [illegible] before the steed was sto[illegible] been engaged as watchman

Maroa.

Typhoid fever is prev[illegible] Jetor Johnson, father [illegible] last Sunday night, of [illegible] mains were interred [illegible] day........ Mr. Seal[illegible] who was here on [illegible] tlement of the es[illegible] about six weeks [illegible] and was buried [illegible] three funerals [illegible] Lanson and Tommy [illegible] death's door with [illegible] Schaefer and Jen[illegible] list........ Mrs. Sam[illegible] daughter of P. J[illegible] tend her father's fu[illegible] day.

La[illegible]

Plenty of snow and [illegible] hand......... Here [illegible] residence of Geo. S[illegible] ..A child of Joh[illegible] week, but is now [illegible] has purchased [illegible] estate of George M[illegible] for it......... Mr. D[illegible] citizen of this tow[illegible] cutting his throat on [illegible] leaves a large family [illegible]

January's [illegible]

Tice's almanac, w[illegible] by his brother-in-law, worth has been pre[illegible] ing year. The for[illegible] gives a predominance [illegible] cating generally [illegible] from December 25 [illegible] clear, cold days [illegible] and 30 and January [illegible] 17. It will be cold [illegible] when it will get w[illegible] storm may be ex[illegible] cold weather will [illegible] storm is likely at [illegible] month. The storm [illegible] extent of territory [illegible] of the month wh[illegible] cal. Places where [illegible] vailed will get rain [illegible] 1st, 7th and 1[illegible] may be expected [illegible] 18th, 24th and 30th [illegible] indications in Oct[illegible] winter would be [illegible] of the month, and [illegible] would be followed [illegible] but if mild weath[illegible] Christmas the winter [illegible] The whole indication[illegible] changeable weather.

HARD T[illegible]

Economy C[illegible]

Lincoln New Mine [illegible] vein of bituminous [illegible] this part of the country [illegible] and family use, is [illegible] for ITS GREAT LASTING [illegible] coal is for sale only [illegible] depot, one block south [illegible] pot, and at the lowest [illegible] Present price $2.25, del[illegible] ty of teams to fill [illegible] Buy the coal that wil[illegible] ey. Terms, cash on [illegible] phone, 3. 17d2w

Long Creek S[illegible]

The following is [illegible] primary department [illegible] school for the m[illegible] 1884: Number en[illegible] number of days [illegible] erage daily attend[illegible] tendance has been [illegible] of sickness. Di[illegible] friends are cordially [illegible] us. ADELLA MY[illegible]

Carter's Little Liver [illegible] itively cure sick head[illegible] vent its return. This [illegible] truth. One pill a dose [illegible] of all druggists. See a[illegible]

Dr. C. A. McLean, [illegible] experience in his pr[illegible] cated on Durfee stre[illegible] and has an office over [illegible] store. He will give [illegible] to all business e[illegible] Medicines furnished. [illegible] tention to the diseases [illegible] Nov18d1mo

[illegible]t.

[illegible]th Day, Judge [illegible]

Dennis—trespass. [illegible]t four counts in [illegible]. Trial by jury

[illegible] McGuire—tres[illegible] plaintiff for a con[illegible] case continued

[illegible], appellant—[illegible] for $190. [illegible] appellant—[illegible] to suppress depo-

[illegible] vs David H. At[illegible] plaintiff for con[illegible] case continued

[illegible] & Co., will de[illegible] the city until

[illegible] bushel, 27

[illegible] 30 cents. [illegible] cents. n23dtf

[illegible] in the city at [illegible] E. Prairie St.

[illegible]USTOM-[illegible] TOYS [illegible]GOODS, [illegible]nd MIL-[illegible] want the [illegible]ou need [illegible]me and [illegible]ou will [illegible] at [illegible]OCK'S, [illegible]DE PARK.

[illegible]ience [illegible]sm

[illegible] the world? [illegible] It has even [illegible] be cured. [illegible] the world? [illegible]stance, it has [illegible] cured. [illegible] be got rid of. [illegible] Rheumatism is [illegible] ATHLOPHOROS [illegible] cure it. [illegible] old doctors [illegible] can [illegible] system. [illegible] tormenting [illegible] they can [illegible] means of

[illegible]os!

[illegible] any doubts as [illegible] to some of [illegible] instance, Rev. S. [illegible] Congregational [illegible] the Rev. W. P. [illegible] Church, of New [illegible] pastor Willett St. [illegible] Brummell, the [illegible] of New York, [illegible] and many

[illegible] your druggist, [illegible] of regular [illegible] that you buy [illegible] do not be [illegible] order at once

[illegible] ST., NEW YORK.

OUR BARGAIN COLUMN.

LOST.—Between my residence on West Main street and the Dry Goods store of Linn & Scruggs, on Thursday, December 18th, a Knight Templar charm, in the form of a locket. No name on it, but picture of myself and wife inside. A reward of $5 will be paid for its return. d17d1w W. H. STAGE

THREE FACTS.—Every enterprising young man expects to engage in business for himself. He can not afford to do so without first obtaining a thorough knowledge of business [illegible] Without this [illegible] book-keeping [illegible] College [illegible] business men who [illegible]

ENTERPRISE.—[illegible] the public [illegible] facture of [illegible] that is so [illegible] These mats will [illegible] in the market. They are made in any style, shape or size in colors or plain. Dealers supplied at wholesale rates. We will [illegible] prepared husks that will [illegible] Throw out your straw and send your [illegible] to our factory 1050 North Main street. All orders promptly filled. d14d1w* DAVISON BROTHERS, Decatur, Ill.

WANTED.—Parents, wards and guardians to know there is nothing that can be of more service all through life than a practical Business Education. Call and read letters from prominent business men and former students endorsing the Central Business College. d14d1m

TO RENT.—House of four rooms with or without a barn, at No. 765 East Wood street. d12-d1w* JAMES A. YOUNG.

WANTED.—A good sound mule, not over 13 hands high, for which a good price will be paid. Address Niantic Coal Co., Niantic, Ill. d9d&w1w

WANTED, By a competent dressmaker, a few more customers. Will go out by the day, or take work at home. Fit and work guaranteed. Terms very reasonable. Address or apply at 455, West Main street. d11d1w*

WANTED.—Everybody to call at Bachman Bros. and buy Christmas presents at their own prices. d2 1w

STRAYED OR STOLEN.—A mouse colored mare, with four white feet and a white star, weighing about 1,050 [illegible] reward will be given for any information leading to her recovery.—W. [illegible] East North St. c9*1w

FOR RENT.—A [illegible] residence on South Main street. [illegible] Barber Shop, 110 North Water street. d7-d1w

FOR SALE.—[illegible] Heifers. Inquire at No. 1236 North Main street.—[illegible] N. TABOR & SON. d1 w1*

TO RENT.—A good house of five rooms No. 1214 North Clayton street lately occupied by Dr. Bridgeman. Apply to J. Leforgee & Co. d2d1w*

TO RENT.—A good house of seven rooms and an acre of ground on North Union street, well arranged for two families. Price $12.50 per month. I also have some lots near the depot for sale cheap on long time.—R. L. WALSTON. n25d1f

LAUNDRIES.—Hop Hong's laundries, No. 152 South Main street and Basement room, under Cheap Charley's clothing store on the corner of Merchant and Main, Hart's old stand. Shirts, 10cts; collars, 3 cts; cuffs, 5 cts a pair; underwear, 2 for 15 cts. Work every day. 1m6

FOR SALE.—Lots in the Gault addition to Decatur, only seven blocks from the postoffice on high, dry ground, for sale on easy terms, by M. G. Patterson, opera house block. n1tf

[illegible] The northeast quarter of [illegible] of the city limit [illegible] Inquire of Bundy [illegible] Powell, Decatur, Ill. o21 1m

WANTED [illegible] custom for any [illegible] hard and soft coal [illegible] good quality [illegible] as good material [illegible] any part of the city. Telephone No. 15. sept 5 1tf

FOR SALE [illegible] Corn, oats [illegible] sorts, New York [illegible] chop feed for [illegible] kind of fire wood [illegible] prices, delivered [illegible] Largest establishment [illegible] Prices always reasonable [illegible] sept26tf

REMOVAL.—[illegible] attorney at law, has removed his [illegible] elegant suite of rooms over the New York Store, on Water Street. I [illegible] to loan money in any amount [illegible] or [illegible] or notes collected [illegible] and prompt[illegible]

Leffingwell's Old Stand,

133, South Main Street,

Decatur, Illinois,

Is the place to go for Good Meals, Fine Cigars, Cheap Confections, genuine home-made bread, fresh cakes and pies. Give us a call and be convinced.

COMBS & INMAN,
Proprietors.

[illegible]THE THING
FOR A
[illegible]STMAS PRESENT.

[illegible]UME, 249, North Water St.
DECATUR, ILLINOIS

[illegible]RPETS
[illegible]RTAINS
—AND—
[illegible]L PAPERS,

[illegible]nd Coloring, surpassing anything ever [illegible] Our prices as usual, will be the lowest

[illegible]EL & LOCKE.

We Have Often Laid Claims

TO A

SUPERIORITY OF STOCK, STYLES & PRICES,

Claiming we could show you more of anything in our line than the Combined Jewelry Stores of Decatur.

We invite everybody to look over our stock and see how we tell ONLY THE TRUTH in our advertising. You will readily understand then how we can sell Anything for at least a little less than any of the smaller dealers We buy in quantities that give us lower prices than those who buy in small lots.

Everyone in and around Decatur has learned to know that when we advertise anything as Bargains, they really are bargains.

This year does not beam overmuch with bright prospects of our turning into money the quantity of goods we are obliged to turn every Christmas, and now we propose to lower everything in price to an extent that will make many people buy articles in our line that would not do so otherwise.

IF YOU HAVE A BOY, SEE OUR

Solid Silver Elgin Watches Reduced to $8.15

Or our full jeweled Stem-wind Nickel Watches reduced to $6.50. Or if you have a little girl, see our solid gold bangle rings for $1.25, or the numerous styles of child's band rings, solid gold, for $1.00 each. When you are out hunting Christmas presents, you cannot afford to pass by our store without coming in to look any way. Everything we sell is warranted just as represented.

Otto E. Curtis & Co.

156 East Main St.

CLOSING OUT

Of Furniture and Stoves. The goods must be sold soon. Rattan chairs, parlor chairs, cane chairs, book cases, centre tables, washstands, bed room suits, upholstered goods, lounges, single and double husk mattresses, hair mattresses, wool mattresses, pillows, hall-trees, mirrors, dressing cases, bureaus, bedsteads, and everything in the furniture line. Also Cook and Heating Stoves at Cost.

REMEMBER THE PLACE

BACHMAN BROS.,

SOUTH PARK, SIGN BIG ELEPHANT.

Clearing Sale!

—OF—

MILLINERY!

AT

Mrs. K. Einstein's.

250 North Water street - Masonic Temple Block

She will offer special inducements during the entire month. This being the last month of the season, she is anxious to reduce her stock which consists of all the latest novelties. Miss Monger, her Chicago trimmer, cannot be surpassed in this or any other city in getting up stylish hats and bonnets.

GERMANTOWN YARN:

She also has on hand a large stock of Germantown Yarn and Zephyrs, which she will sell at first cost Please call before purchasing elsewhere.

COAL. COAL COAL.

James Dougherty

—Dealer in—

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

1202 East Eldorado Street

—Will fill order.

COAL!

In any quantity, and make special rates on Ten Ton orders.

Orders by Telephone No. 165 given prompt Attention

30 DAYS' TRIAL!

DR. HORNE'S ELECTRIC BELT

Will cure Nervousness, Lumbago, Rheumatism, Paralysis, Neuralgia, Sciatic, Kidney, Spine and Liver diseases, Gout, Asthma, Heart disease, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Erysipelas, Catarrh, Piles, Epilepsy, Impotency, Dumb Ague, Prolapsus Uteri, etc. Only scientific Electric Belt in America that sends the Electricity and magnetism through the body. Agents Wanted. Send stamp for Pamphlet. Dr. W. J. HORNE, Inventor, 191 Wabash Ave., CHICAGO.

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VIRGINIA FARMS & MILLS For Sale & Exchange. FREE Catalogue. R. B. CHAFFIN & CO., Richmond, Va.

CONSUMPTION.

I have a positive remedy for the above disease; by its use thousands of cases of the worst kind and of long standing have been cured. Indeed, so strong is my faith in its efficacy, that I will send TWO BOTTLES FREE, together with a VALUABLE TREATISE on this disease to any sufferer. Give express and P. O. address. DR. T. A. SLOCUM, 181 Pearl St., New York.

Parker's Tonic.

A Pure Family Medicine that Never Intoxicates.

If you are a lawyer, minister or business man, exhausted by mental strain or anxious cares do not take intoxicating stimulants, but use PARKER'S TONIC.

If you are a mechanic or farmer, worn out with over work, or a mother run down by family or household duties, try PARKER'S TONIC.

If you have Dyspepsia, Rheumatism, Kidney or Urinary Complaints, or if you are troubled with any disorder of the lungs, stomach, bowels, blood or nerves, you can be cured by PARKER'S TONIC.

If you are wasting away from age, dissipation or any disease or weakness and require a stimulant take PARKER'S TONIC at once; it will invigorate and build you up from the first dose but will never intoxicate. It has saved hundreds of lives, it may save yours.

PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM.

The best, cleanest and most economical hair dressing. Never fails to restore the youthful color to gray hair. This elegant dressing is preferred by those who have used it, to any similar article, on account of its superior cleanliness and purity. It contains materials only that are beneficial to the scalp and hair.

HISCOX & CO.,
163 William Street, New York.
50c and $1 sizes, at all dealers in medicines.
Great saving in buying dollar sizes.

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A VERY ATTRACTIVE STOCK OF

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The Best Goods for the Least Money can at all times be had at

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AGENTS FOR

Butterick's Patterns,

THE REVIEW.

WEDNESDAY, DEC 16, 1884

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

The "Two Johns" this evening.

Episcopal fair at the tabernacle this evening.

Boys' all-wool flannel waists at B. Stine's. d6 tf

Yesterday was an encouraging day for the ice dealers.

Gough lectures at the opera house to-morrow evening.

Choice bulk and canned oysters at Wood Bros'. d6dw

Nice mixed candies 15c per pound at Wood Bros'. d6dw

A new register has been opened at the popular New Deming.

Zephyrs and crewels at cost, at Miss Watson's. d4-d&w

Home made broken candy 20c per pound at Wood Bros'. d6dw

All-wool red flannel drawers, at B Stine's, 75 cents a pair. d6-tf

May Bros. will sell you a 50-pound sack of flour for 75 cents. d12d

Fine cigars and choice confections at Combs & Inman's. d14d&w1w

For a dress or business suit go to Ed. Denz, Central Block. d6d3w

Ed. Denz has just received a lot of the finest suitings in the city. d6d3w

A handsome line of candy boxes for the holidays at Wood Bros. d6dw

The colored folks will have a grand ball at Myer's hall on New Year's eve.

The "Jolly Pathfinders" will be at the opera house on Monday evening next.

Reserved seats for the Gough lecture can be had at Curtis' for 75 cts. 16d1w.

Gents genuine aligator slippers for Christmas at Powers & Haworth's. d10dw

The Two Johns Comedy company will play at the opera house this evening.

An elegant line of Gold Pens and Pencils at the City Book Store. dec 16d3tw1

The Wabash Chicago train was two hours and a half late yesterday afternoon.

Go to May Bros' South Main street for flour at 75 cents per 50 pound sack. d12d

Go to Curtis' and get a reserved seat for the Gough lecture, only 75 cents. 16d1w.

Flour can now be had at May Bros.' at the low price of 75 cents per 50-pound sack. d12d

Gents' smoking jackets, the latest novelties for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's. d6-tf

Novelties in gents' smoking jackets just received for Christmas presents, at B. Stine's. d6-tf

The largest and best assortment of Christmas candies in the city at Wood Bros'. d6dw

The draymen will give their ball at the tabernacle on Wednesday evening, December 24th.

Ye hungry mortals, go to Combs & Inman's restaurant for the best meals in the city. d14d&w1w

Foreign and domestic fruits and choice candies at Peck & Co.'s, 235 Opera Block. d14d1w

The Two Johns comedy company is said to be immense. It will be here on Wednesday evening.

George W. Ehrhart's coal yard and office is north of Shellabarger's mill, on Water street. d16dtf

FLOUR, FLOUR, FLOUR at 75 cents per 50-pound sack at May Bros.', 134 South Main street. d12d

There will be a ball at the hall of Eureka Assembly, K. of L., on the evening of the 30th. d16dtd.

The bridge gangs on the Wabash have been reduced one half for the purpose of cutting down expenses

The public schools will close about next Wednesday evening and the pupils will enjoy ten days of vacation.

When in need of coal or wood call on F. D. Caldwell and see what he can do for you. Telephone 306. d14 dtf

Nice Florida oranges at Peck & Co.'s. In short, if you want a good Christmas dinner, call on them. d14 d1w

D. H Heilman has just received a consignment of oranges direct from Florida, which are now on sale. d14 d1w

Fair and supper at the tabernacle next Wednesday evening, given by the ladies of St. John's Episcopal church.

An effort is being made by the merchants and business men of Jacksonville, to run trades' excursions to that city.

Cheapest books, cheapest albums, cheapest Bibles, and lower prices on everything at the City Book Store Dec 16 3tw1

Canned and bulk oysters and fresh celery at P. Ruebsamen & Co's at their new store next to Millikin's Bank. N1-&f

Maple sugar, buckwheat flour and sauer kraut of the best quality, for sale by Wm. Neidermeyer, Merchant street. 16 d1w.

Prescott has them! What? Just the pianos and organs suitable for Christmas presents and at prices for the times d12d

Leave orders with Peck & Co. for fresh dressed poultry, dressed immediately on receipt of order. 235 Opera Block. d14d1w

The different churches are making extensive preparations for the observance of Christmas next week. Most of them will have Christmas trees and plenty of toys and candy for the children.

The condition of the roads is nearly impassable and it is only by small loads and great exertions that teams can be driven about.

Combs & Inman at Leffingwell's old stand serve better meals and more of them than any restaurant in Decatur. d14d&w1w

Gough will both amuse, delight and instruct his audience Thursday eve. You can't afford to miss it. It will pay you. d17d1t

F. D. Caldwell can furnish you with coal or wood (all kinds) on short notice. Telephone 306. Always bottom prices. d14dtf

Morehouse, Wells & Co. show nearly three hundred patterns of pocket knives, varying in price from five cents to three dollars.

See the elegant line of Carvers displayed by Morehouse & Wells, and don't let the tea pots and scissors ca ses escape your attention.

50 cents will buy you a gallery ticket for the Gough lecture. Be sure to hear the ablest of America's platform orators. 16d1w.

The Two John's comedy company passed through here yesterday forenoon from Bloomington to Mattoon. They will return here to-day.

If you do not want to fall on the slippery sidewalks, wear a pair of Ice Creepers. You can get good ones from Morehouse, Wells & Co.

Bachman Bros. are closing out their stock of furniture and stoves at very low prices. They offer real bargains, south side new square. d10lw

Call at R. N. Hughson's and see the picture of old Santa Claus, painted by F. M. Cretors, of this city. Young and old will appreciate it. d11dwtf

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Marion S Perry and Miss Hattie E. Williams, both of this city.

Since the REVIEW opened the ball the State fair question has been freely commented on by our exchanges, the majority of which favor its location here.

Remember that the City Book Store has the largest variety of Christmas Cards, and more of them, at lower prices, than elsewhere in the city. dec16 3tw1.

Forty four years is a long time, but John B Gough has held the American heart during that time. Hear him Thursday eve. Gallery tickets, only 50 cents. 17d1t

An old widow has a parrot that swears and a monkey that chews tobacco, and she says with such company she does not miss her dear, departed husband much.

You can buy anything in a nice present you want very cheap, and a new stock to select from at R. N. Hughson's new book store, East Eldorado street. d11dwtf

R. N Hughson is bound not to be undersold in toys, books, Christmas cards and fancy goods. Call and see bargains at his new book store, East Eldorado street. d11dwtf

S. H Friedman was the book-keeper at C. F Emery & Co's bank in Macon, who solved the DeSollar's book keeping problem recently propounded through the columns of the REVIEW.

Cut or no cut, we guarantee prices as low at the City Book Store as anywhere else, and the largest assortment of nice holiday goods in the city. Go and see for yourselves. dec16 d2tw1.

I would like a few more scholars in drawing and painting. Orders for painting landscapes or flowers promptly attended to. I also paint on silk, satin, plush and velvet.—[MOLLIE C. LAUX.

The draymen's ball will be given on Christmas eve, December 24th, at the tabernacle. Tickets one dollar. A splendid time is expected. All lovers of the dance should attend. Goodman's full orchestra. d10 1w

THE best on earth, can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by druggists.

The statement that a license is charged for the roller skating rink at Centralia is untrue. The manager here hearing of the report wrote to Van Allen yesterday denying it, and the same was endorsed by the city clerk of Centralia. They have a fine rink there erected at a cost of $5,000 and the citizens take great pride in it

The new Union church at Argenta will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 28th. This church was built by the Christians and United Brethren, with the aid of others friendly disposed It is a neat building, costing about $1 500.

I. F Peck & Co. receive country butter regularly from some of the best butter makers in the country, and persons wishing a first-class article, pure fresh and sweet, should give them a call. Telephone No. 8 17d&w1w

It was reported in this city last evening that the scoundrel who set fire to the barn of Mr. Nat. F. Brown near Boody, on Sunday night, had been arrested. We were unable to learn his name or any particulars of the arrest.

There are 97 applications on file with Governor elect Oglesby for appointments to the Railroad and Warehouse Commission—many of them coming from superannuated political hacks. Talk about hungry democrats.

The sending of the Spanish treaty by wire from Madrid by the New York Times, in advance of all other papers, is one of the wonders which is constantly occurring in newspaper enterprises. The party who furnished the copy of the treaty charged $2 000 for his services, and the cable telegraph cost $4 416, making total cost of $6 416 Is it any wonder that the American metropolitan newspapers are the foremost in the world?

The street railways use salt to melt the frozen snow from the tracks. Another difficulty they have to contend with is the clods of dirt which are left on the rails by teams crossing over. These frequently throw the cars from the track.

If you want good syrup, fine Florida oranges, bananas, dates, figs, pure sugar candies, preserves, oysters in bulk or can you can get them at Peck & Co's, 235 N. Water street, where may be found a full line of staple and fancy groceries. 17d&w1w

Expenses must be reduced on the Wabash it seems. The latest report is that it has been deemed more practicable by the managers of the road to use soft coal stoves in the various buildings of the company. The hard coal burners are being disposed of as fast as possible.

The remains of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T Summers will arrive here this morning at 10.40 o'clock on the P. D. & E. and will be removed from there to the cemetery for interment. Short services will be conducted by Rev. Prestley of the Presbyterian church.

See the advertisement of "Silver Metal," spoons and forks These goods are made from a composition of metals which are not tarnish in ordinary acids found in food any more than solid silver. They are very reasonable in price and well worth your investigation.

Springfield Monitor: "A. E. Snow, formerly of Decatur, and at one time with Col Andrews, in St. Louis, has lately removed to this city and is in the bridge and building department office of the Wabash, under Supt. J. E. Wallace, who has taken the place of O. J. Travis, resigned."

Leave your orders with Miss S L. Shafer, at No. 103 Prairie street, north end of Central Block, in millinery, hair and fancy goods. Mrs Dawkins has charge of hair and dressmaking department. Orders for wigs, chains, front, curls, switches and everything in our line promptly done. d14-d&wtf

R. E. Bennett, an extensive horseman of Decatur, is in the city looking after the trade. He has purchased a number in Morgan county, and will remain in the city through next week. He reports the trade dull, as far as first-class horses are concerned —Springfield Monitor.

Springfield Monitor: Decatur is laying plans for securing the location of the state fair at that place, for the coming two years From the unanimity of our citizens we judge they have no interest in the matter They should help Decatur and keep it from going to Peoria or out of the state.

The attention of our worthy street commissioner is respectfully called to a small section of sidewalk (or rather the absence of it) on the south side of West Wood street, a few feet west of Church street. At this point, after nightfall, several pedestrians have been made to realize that "things are not as they seem!"

Yesterday was by far the coldest day experienced this winter, All day a piercing cold wind blew from the north and the thermometer was down to ten or twelve degrees above zero. About midnight snow commenced falling and at half past one the thermometer was only six degrees above zero.

The P. D & E. pay car passed over the road yesterday for Peoria Treasurer Bunker and his assistant, Fred P. Maus, together with Superintendent Bell and family were on board, and when the train arrived here the party was just preparing to do justice to a fine dinner, broiled quail and other delicacies. The employes along the line were paid on the way

Conductor Billy Rhodes was about as near frozen yesterday afternoon when the P D & E. train arrived from Evansville as was possible for him to be. When the train left the Hoosier city, Billy sandwiched about the depot platform with his over coat on [illegible], but when stopping here [illegible] about like a wild horse [illegible] deep warm He said he [illegible] the change at Mattoon when the weather commenced to get too cool for comfort.

"Bound not to be undersold in Christmas goods," as many local dealers have advertised. Now for fun But I do not mean fun. Nor I do not mean to deceive the people by advertising old stock as all new New I can say, my entire stock of children's Christmas books, plush toilet cases, work boxes, albums, Christmas cards, oil paintings, anything you want in a nice present, is all new and all of which will be sold by January 1st, regardless of cost, at my New Book Store in the building recently occupied by Dinneen & Doyle, East Eldorado street.—[R N. HUGHSON d11dwtf

Two Johns.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 17 the well known "Two Johns" Comedy company will make their first appearance in Decatur. This is the company's first appearance west of Chicago although a well known comedy organization east of there, they have never ventured beyond the metropolis of the west. They play their comedy of the same name as the title of the company, and it is described as a pure comedy interpreted by one of the best of comedy operatic singing companies, whose many pleasing solos, duets and operatic selections send zest to the laughter creating situations of their performance.

Card of Thanks.

Miss Lulu and Gracie Fielder desire to return their thanks to the many kind friends who sided them on their benefit last evening, both by participating in the programme and attending.

PERSONAL

William Samper is in Wichita, Kansas.

J. E Rickel, of Springfield, dined at the S. Nicholas yesterday.

John Plotner is the new driver on President Priest's narrow guage road.

W. H. Shinn, ex-states attorney of Moultrie county, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs Will Andress left yesterday morning on the Wabash via St. Louis for Memphis.

Bob Bivans left yesterday for Kansas City, where he will spend a few days on business.

John Campbell is looking after his business interests in Bement. He will return home to-day.

Governor R. J. Oglesby is in the city. He attended the organ recital St. John's church last evening.

G. H Augustus and W. C. Clemens of Paris, were in the city attending court. While here they were the guests of the St. Nicholas.

W. R. Bessie, superintendent of the Pacific Express company, has taken possession of his new residence property on West William.

Attorney J. M. Chokey arrived home yesterday morning from Springfield, Ohio, where he was recently called by the death of his aged father.

Park Hammer leaves this morning for New Orleans. He goes from here to St. Louis on the Wabash and from there takes the Iron Mountain

Charlie Boardman, the jolly and whole-souled traveling passenger agent of the "old reliable" Hannibal and St Joe railroad, was among his many railroad friends yesterday.

With the approach of the holiday season comes glad tidings of great joy from the household of Mr. and Mrs Ed. Heilman. The arrival of a bright little daughter on Monday afternoon is the cause of the joy in that happy home.

Mr C. E Forest, who resides near Boody, returned yesterday from an extended tour of observation and recreation in Nebraska. He had with him a couple of potatoes of the "White Elephant" variety, grown in Blue Hill township, Webster county, Nebraska, the combined weight of which was four and a quarter pounds They were by no means "small potatoes." On the contrary quite the reverse.

Mr. John A. Corwin, traveling correspondent of the Chicago Times, was in the city for a short time yesterday afternoon on his way to Springfield. He is one of the best news-gatherers in the country and possesses the happy acuity of remembering every person he ever meets—he has met nearly every man, woman and child in the state and therefore is comparatively well acquainted. "Jack," as he is familiarly called, is also a spicy writer and reports the doings of the Illinois legislature. What he doesn't know about Illinois politics is not worth knowing He is a valuable man to the Times.

The Fielder Benefit.

Misses Lulu and Gracie Fielder, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fielder, and the well-known little elocutionists, who have so frequently delighted audiences in this and neighboring cities, gave their annual benefit entertainment at the tabernacle last evening. The Arctic like weather did not serve to lessen the interest felt in them, and the little ladies were complimented with a good attendance of the leading people of the city. They were aided in their splendid programme by the best local talent Decatur affords, and throughout the entertainment was one of the most pleasant and thoroughly enjoyable of the season It opened with a piano solo by Mrs. W. B. Rush, followed by the recitation of "Kentucky belles," by Miss Minnie Baldwin, which awakened an appreciative applause. "The Jiners" by little Gracie Fielder, was admirably delivered, and heartily applauded by the audience. "Sister and I" by Birdie Rush, was one of the pleasing features of the programme. "Karl's Lullaby Song and Violin" by Lulu and Gracie Fielder, won fresh laurels for the charming little ladies. "Spartacus to the Gladiators" was delivered by Mr Harry Wentz with much credit to himself. "Sam's Letter" was splendidly given by Miss Gracie Fielder. The vocal solo, "When the Sparrows Build," by Miss Clara Eyman was one of the musical gems of the evening and received a deserved applause. "Rock of Ages" by Miss Lulu Fielder, was delivered with great tenderness and excellent effect, the audience rewarding her with close attention and warm applause. "Marc Antony's Original Oration" by Master Curt Cain (an costume) was one of the best things in the programme. It abounded with local hits, and the youthful orator was received with a flattering encore. Gracie Fielder's new version of "Romeo and Juliet" was well delivered by that cute little miss. Miss Fannie Enrman's vocal solo, "Nearest Thou," was rendered with exquisite sweetness by the accomplished songstress. "The Baron's Last Banquet" was recited with great force by Mr. Charles Denton, and was followed by the laughable German recitation, "Bismarck" by Mr. William Carter. Following this Messrs. Leo Heilbron and J B. Burrows displayed their proficiency on the violin in a pleasing duet. Miss Minnie Baldwin's recitation "Mary Queen of Scotts" and Miss Gracie Fielder's description of "Curing a Cold," were in keeping with the other selections on the programme. J. B. Burrows' rendition of a banjo solo was received with marked favor by the audience The entertainment closed with a quartette for violins, "Minuet Celebre," which was performed by Messrs. J. B. Burrows, J. Alexander, L. Michl and H. Diller.

The whole affair afforded a pleasant evening and added greatly to the popularity of the Fielder sisters with Decatur people, and also to the kind friends who assisted them.

Organ Recital.

St John's Episcopal church was filled with a fashionable gathering of people last evening, who assembled to hear the organ recital on the handsome new pipe organ recently purchased by the congregation of that house of worship. It was a rare musical treat, the following programme being rendered by the leading and most thoroughly accomplished musicians of this city:

1. Anthem. ..... Chopin
   Choir.
2. Largo ..... Handel
   Violin Solo: Prof. Bull.
3. Offertorie of St. Cecilia, No 2 ..... Batiste
   Miss Hattie Hitchcock.
4. (a. Offertory ..... Batiste
   (b. Meditatio ..... Sudds
   Mr. C. A. Foster
5. At the Elevation ..... Batiste
   Mrs. O. E. Alexander.
6. "To Thy Temple I Repair" ..... Millard
   Chorus.
7. Overture to William Tell Andante (Translation by Dudley Buck) Allegro Rossini
   Miss Hattie Hitchcock.
8. Melody in F ..... Rubenstein
   Violin Solo: Prof. Bull
9. Gloria in Exc lsis ..... Tours in F
   Choir.

The new organ is a fine instrument equal in tone and manufacture to any in the city, and the congregation feel highly pleased with it.

Jolly Pathfinders.

Rentfrow's Jolly Pathfinders will be here Monday evening Speaking of them the Council Bluffs Nonpareil says: "Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the Jolly Pathfinders were greeted with a good audience last evening, and those who braved the weather were delightfully entertained by one of the best little companies that has been on the boards of the new opera house. From beginning to end the performance abound in fun, wit and humor, and should they ever return here they will be sure to be greeted with a large audience." Popular prices 35, 50 and 75 cents. Brass band and metropolitan orchestra.

C. H Davenport, of the Wabash force at Springfield, was in the city yesterday, a guest of the St. Nicholas.

Bunn Post came over from Sullivan yesterday afternoon, where he has been helping run the store of Barrett & Cox. He now goes to Kenney, where Messrs. Barrett & Cox have opened up another store.

Rev. Dr. Lowry, of New York, who was one of the principal leaders at the great ten days Methodist camp meeting held at the fair grounds during the past summer, was in the city yesterday for a short time. He went from here to St. Louis,

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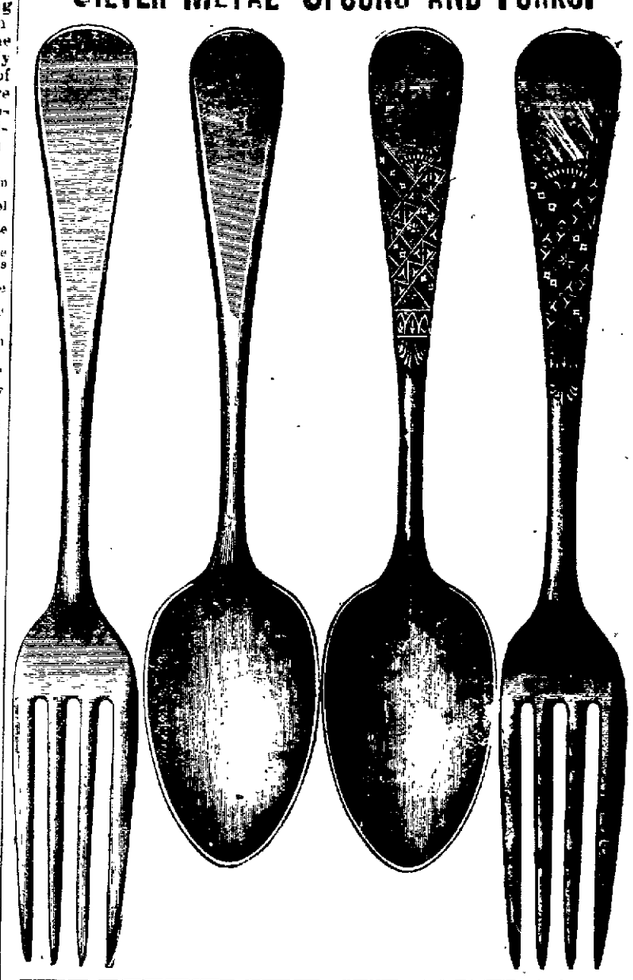

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HIGH AND DRY

Is the Condition in Which Many Firms Are Left by the Ebb of the Financial Tide.

The City Bank of Schenectady, N. Y., and Levy & Son, of New York, Collapse.

Several Business Suspensions at Chippewa Falls, Wis.—The Labor Situation in the East.

FAILURES AT VARIOUS POINTS.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 16.—At 11:30 o'clock yesterday men walked into the City Bank and made deposits. At twelve o'clock people who passed the bank saw a rough, white pasteboard fastened to the door bearing the simple inscription: "Suspended." It is said that large sums were paid by the bank during the morning to fearful depositors. Saturday afternoon the directors of the bank, held a meeting and strenuous but unavailing efforts were made to raise the amount necessary to clear the bank from difficulty. During the last three months many of the stockholders have endeavored to dispose of stock, but there was no sale for it. The City Bank was organized in 1874 by T. W. McCamus, with a capital of $100,000, and was supposed to be in a very sound condition up to January last, when the stock sold for $130 a share. In February the Jones car-works failed, and next day it became known that the City Bank had obtained a judgement for $108,000 against the car company. Next morning a run on the bank began, and about $160,000 was drawn out. The promptness with which depositors were paid brought back confidence in the institution, and by noon the run had nearly ended. In March T. W. McCamus, President of the bank for six years, resigned. No reason for the act was made public beyond the statement that it was his desire to resign. After new officers had been chosen business revived somewhat, but confidence was again shaken in September when shareholders received a notice from Superintendent of Banks Paine that the capital of the bank was impaired to the extent of $40,000. The Superintendent directed that the deficiency be made good within ninety days from September 30. Many of the shareholders declined to pay the assessment, and this is the reason of the bank's downfall. The stockholders say the depositors will be paid in full.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Henry Levy and Sampson H. Levy, composing the firm of H. Levy & Son, importers and manufacturers of fancy goods at 477 Broadway and at 50 Mercer street, made an assignment yesterday to William H. Gelshenew, giving preferences aggregating $65,644. The liabilities are estimated at $200,000, and the assets at $100,000. The failure was unexpected, and the firm hope to get an extension. The causes were the general stagnation in business, poor collections and depreciation.

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Dec. 16.—In consequence of Sunday morning's fire the following business houses made assignments yesterday, the assets in each case consisting of insurance, book accounts, and stock saved: Lee & Larson, general merchandise, liabilities $30,000, assets $37,000; W. H. Stoddard, clothing, liabilities $7,000, assets $6,500; G. E. Dalton & Co., general merchandise, liabilities not known, assets $6,000.

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 16.—The inventory in the J. I. Case Plow Company failure was completed yesterday. The assets will he $440,000 and the liabilities are $740,000. Of the latter sum $7,500 is due workmen. The list of creditors will probably be filed to-day.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 16.—The Chicago Rolling Mill Company started up all its mills except puddlers at Bay View yesterday. They were shut down a week ago for lack of orders. Yesterday's action gives employment to 1,000 men. During the afternoon, however, notice was posted saying that laborers' wages would be reduced from $1.25 to $1 a day; that all labor based on laborers' wages would be reduced proportionately, and that the wages of skilled workmen would suffer an average reduction of twelve per cent. The reduction affects 500 men. The remaining men are working on a scale adopted last June to continue a year. The action was put off as long as possible, but a similar course by other mills and the business depression made it necessary. The men accept the cut.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 16.—The iron manufacturers here say the Amalgamated Association men must submit to a reduction next year or the mills will be shut down. The next scale will not be signed until June. President Weihe, of the Amalgamated Association, is organizing the trade in the East. The river coal miners met at Monongahela City yesterday, and it was resolved to demand of the operators an additional half cent per bushel, to take effect Monday. The present rate is 2½ cents per bushel. The general feeling was opposed to a strike, but the men decided to push their demand. The workmen at the Edgar Thompson Steel Works were surprised yesterday by an order suspending all work to-day for an indefinite period. Lack of orders was given as the cause. Indirectly between three thousand and four thousand people are affected by the suspension. The monthly pay-roll amounts to about $150,000. The Republic Iron Works resumed operations yesterday at ten per cent. reduction in the wages of all employes except the Amalgamated Association men.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—Two of the carpet factories here surrendered to the strikers yesterday, and work was resumed at the old rates.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 16.—The effect of the recent order of the Western Union cutting off the extra pay of operators is equivalent in Galveston to a reduction of $15 to $30 per month. The entire force held a meeting Sunday and resolved to memorialize General Manager Eckert to re-establish the former rates as under the present reduction the operators are unable to support themselves, and those having families will be compelled to seek more remunerative employment.

Tired of Life.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 16.—Mrs. John Rub, aged forty-five, and the mother of three children, committed suicide yesterday by cutting her throat with a razor. Despondency, occasioned by reduced circumstances, was the cause.

John P. Reagan, Jr., a printer, aged twenty-eight, and son of the publisher of the Elmwood *Messenger*, committed suicide at that place yesterday by throwing himself in front of a passenger train on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. His head was severed from the body and completely crushed. Reagan was recently released from the County Insane Asylum, and was in a demented condition.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

A sugar factory has failed at Mezritsch Austria, with $600,000 liabilities.

J. C. Kemp & Co., patent medicine manufacturers at Montreal, are insolvent.

A square of buildings at Houlton, Me., was burned Saturday night, the loss reaching $100,000, with $62,000 insurance.

Wilmine & Hallbeck, hardware dealers at Menasha, Wis., made an assignment Monday. Liabilities between $10,000 and $15,000.

Sufficient snow for logging purposes fell Sunday in the Eau Claire (Wis.) region, and the work of hauling will immediately begin.

The President of the Canadian Pacific Road has filed at Ottawa plans for a bridge across the St. Lawrence at Lachine, to cost $1,000,000.

Fred H. Winston, a well-known attorney and politician of Chicago, brought suit for $1,000,000 against the *Inter Ocean* Company for libelous statements.

Small-pox is raging at Trieste. There are twenty-five new case daily. So far, five have proved fatal. The schools have been turned into hospitals.

A messenger who left Khartoum eleven days ago reports General Gordon as having disastrously defeated the rebels and blown up one of their forts.

Beginning January 1, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Road will run a direct train from Des Moines to Kansas City, the route being almost an air line.

A number of prominent Missourians called upon Governor Cleveland Monday and suggested that James O. Broadhead, of St. Louis be selected as Attorney-General.

The Miller Company, of Canton, O., manufacturers of mill machinery and iron novelties, was closed Monday by the Sheriff on executions by Toledo iron merchants.

Governor Cleveland pronounces utterly without foundation the story about himself and the Virginia shoemaker who desired to make a pair of boots for the inauguration.

Deputy Collector Silverman, of the Twenty-third Revenue District, with a posse, surprised a party of moonshiners in Cambria County, Pennsylvania, Monday, and captured the distillery.

Mayor Edson, of New York, nominated Fitz John Porter to be Commissioner of Public Work and M. J. O'Brien to be Corporation Counsel, but both nominations were promptly laid on the table.

H. J. Slocum, school-teacher at Horse Cave, Ky., refused to leave town, though threatened by anonymous writers, and Saturday night a mob called at Slocum's house. The teacher opened fire and the invaders fled, leaving one of their number dead and another badly wounded, several of their horses being also seriously injured.

A new Masonic organization, called the "Sovereign Sanctuary of the Royal Masonic Rite for the United States of America," embracing all rites from the fourth to the ninety-sixth degrees, was formed at Boston the past week, Judge Isaac H. Parish, of Michigan, being elected Most Illustrious Past Grand Master.

Bismarck was on Monday forced to appeal to the Reichstag to give him an assistant in the German Foreign Office, saying that in the service of the Empire he had sacrificed his health and strength, and that a refusal to comply with his request would embitter his life. Notwithstanding his strong language the proposition to create a second Dictatorship was lost by 119 to 141.

A Philanthropist's Will.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 16.—The will of the late Reuben R. Springer was probated Monday. The bulk of his estate, which is valued at $3,000,000, is bequeathed to his sisters' children. He makes seventeen bequests to schools, churches charities and household servants, the largest being $75,000 to the Music Hall Association and $100,000 to St. Mary's Seminary of the West.

Horrible Tragedy.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 16.—On a dredge-boat in Tangier Sound, Chesapeake Bay, last Thursday Captain Edward Daley knocked Patrick McGuire senseless, then chopped the body to pieces with a pick-axe, and threw the mangled mass into the hold.

Foul Play Suspected.

JOHNSTOWN, O., Dec. 16.—It is alleged that incendiaries set the conflagration at this place last week, having first murdered and robbed a saloon-keeper of $5,000, and then applied the torch to his place to hide the crime.

MARKET REPORTS.

Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.

FLOUR — Quiet. Spring, $3.00@4.50; low grades, $1.75@2.50; Patents, $4.60@4.50; Rye Flour, 2.50@3.10.

WHEAT—Fairly active but again lower. No. 2 Spring, 69½@70c; No. 3, 56@57c; No 2 Red, 72@72½c; No. 3, 76@60c; No. 2 Spring January, 69½@70½c; May, 76½@77½c.

CORN—Fairly active and prices ruled higher. Cash quotable at 38¼@39½c for No 2; 35¼@35½c for No. 3; 34½@34¾c for No. 4, and 39¼@39½c for No. 2 Yellow; No. 2 for future delivery ranged at 37½@39⅝c for December, 35@37⅝c for January; 34¼@34⅜c for February, and 36⅝@37⅛c for May.

OATS—Prices steady. No. 2 quotable at 23⅜@23⅞c for cash and December; 23⅝@24¼c for January; 24⅛@24¼c for February, and 27⅞@27⅞c for May.

RYE—Cash market steady, with No. 2 selling at 52c; Futures inactive and weaker; January, 51¾c; February, 53c; No. 3, 45@45½c.

BARLEY—In fair supply and dull. No. 2, 53c; No. 3, 40@41c; sample lots dull at 35@61c.

MESS PORK—Fairly active, but prices easier. Quotations ranged at $10.50@10.55 for cash; $10.45@10.57½ for January; $10.55@10.67½ for February, and $10.37@11.11 for May.

LARD—Prices easier. Quotations ranged at $6.45@6.50 for cash; $6.42½@6.45 for December; $6.47½@6.50 for January; $6.52½@6.57½ for February, and $6.60@6.65 for March.

BUTTER—Market dull. Creamery, good to choice, 22@34c; dairy, good to choice, 15@17c.

CHEESE—Market dull. Full Cream Cheddar, 10@12c; Skimmed Cheddar, 2@8c.

EGGS—Quiet. Sales were made at 23@24c for fresh lots.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

FLOUR—Dull and declining.

WHEAT—Heavy and ½@¾c lower. No. 1 White, nominal; No. 2 Red January, 78⅞@79¼c; February, 81@81½c; March, 83¼@83⅞c; April, 85½@86c; May, 87½@87⅞c.

CORN—½@2c higher and active. Mixed Western spot, 48@55c; futures, 46@48½c.

OATS—Without decided change. Western, 32@37c.

PROVISIONS—Beef quiet and steady; New Extra, $11.50@12.00. Pork quiet; New Mess, $12.50. Lard better but quiet; Steam, $6.92½.

BUTTER—Quiet and easy. Western, 9@29c.

CHEESE—Firm at 10@13c.

EGGS—Western steady at 27@28c.

DETROIT, Dec. 15.

FLOUR—Dull. Michigan Winter Wheat, $3.50@3.75; roller process, $4.00@4.25; patents, $5.00; Minnesota patents, $5.00@5.50.

WHEAT—Firm and strong. No. 1 White cash and December, 76¼c; January, 77c; February, 78c; No. 2 Red cash and December, 76¼c; January, 77¼c.

CORN—No. 2 cash, 38½@38c.

OATS—No. 2 White, 27c; No. 2, 27c bid.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 15.

WHEAT—Fairly active and firm. No. 2 cash, 65½c; December, 66c; January, 66½c bid; February, 78c; May, 73¼c bid; No. 2 Soft, 76¼c bid.

CORN—Firmer. No. 2 cash, 39c; year, 38½c bid; January, 37c bid; May, 39c bid.

OATS—Nominal. No. 2 cash and year, 26½c; May, 30c.

Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.

CATTLE — Market moderately active and prices steady. Quotations range as follows: Native Shipping Steers, $5.00@5.75 for poor to fair, and $5.90@6.50 for good to prime; Cows, $2.25@3.75; Bulls, $2.50@3.00; Butchers' Steers, $4.00@4.50; Stockers and Feeders, $2.75@4.40.

HOGS—Market opened rather slow and sales were made at about 5c decline, but later the demand was more active on packing and shipping account, and the decline was recovered. Sales were made at $3.85@4.15 for light; $3.90@4.10 for rough packing, and $4.10@4.35 for heavy packing and shipping lots.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.

CATTLE—Slow; exports, $5.10@5.40; good to choice shipping, $4.50@5.00; common to medium, $4.00@4.40; feeders, $3.50@4.00; cows, $2.80@3.40.

HOGS—10c lower; lots, $3.50@4.00, mainly $3.90.

SHEEP—Quiet; fair to good, $2.00@2.50.

EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 15.

CATTLE—Slow and unchanged.

HOGS—Active; Philadelphias, $4.40@4.50; Yorkers, $4.25@4.35.

SHEEP—Slow and unchanged.

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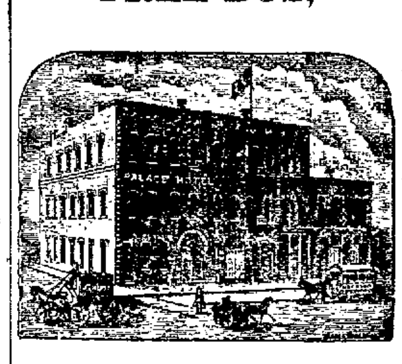

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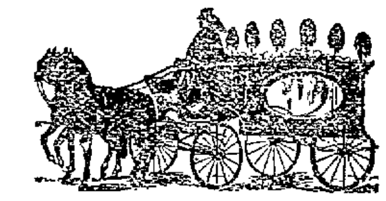

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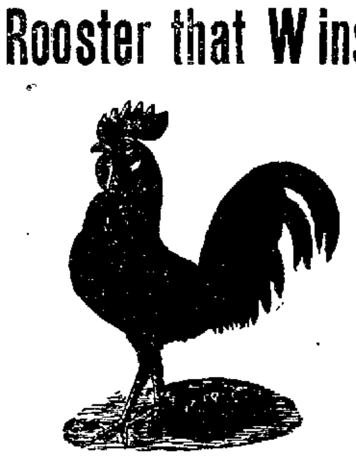

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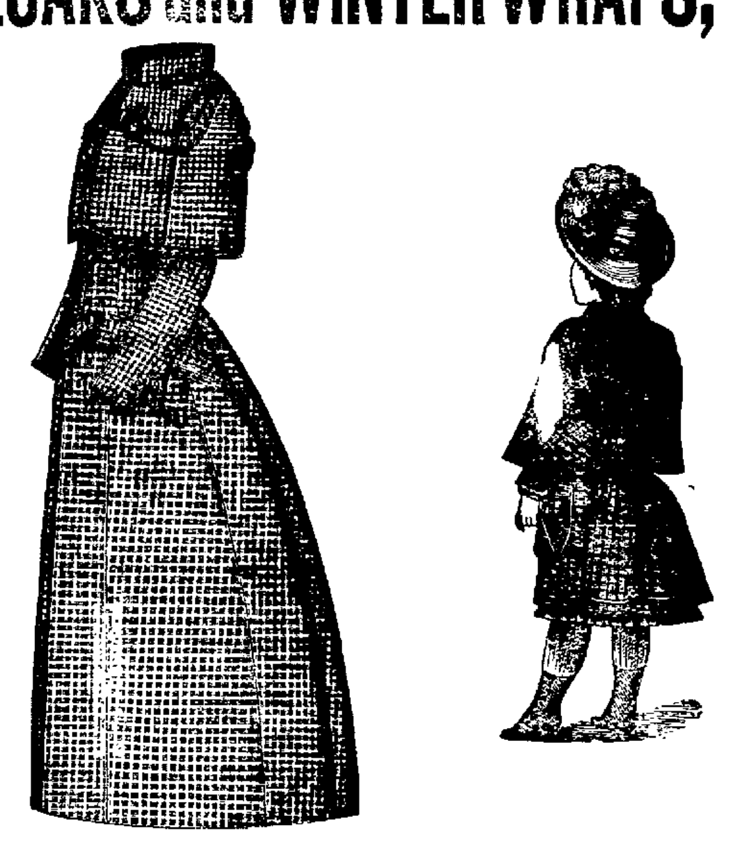

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